

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action mailed August 2, 2004 has been reviewed and carefully considered. Claims 1-9, 12, and 14 are canceled. Claims 10, 11, 13, and 15 are pending in this application, with claims 11 and 13 being the only independent claim. Reconsideration of the above-identified application, as herein amended and in view of the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action mailed August 2, 2004, claims 7-9 and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,734,115 (McMath).


Claim 10, 11, 13, and 15 were allowed. In view of the allowable subject matter, all of the rejected claims are canceled.

Since the remaining claim 10, 11, 13 and 15 are found to be allowed, the application is now deemed to be in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is solicited.

It is believed that no fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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